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Please find below a communication from the EXAMINER in charge of this application

1. The reply filed on December 12, 2002 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): There is a global error in the CRF (a copy attached herewith). No corrected diskette of the sequence listing (CRF) has been provided by the applicant. See 37 CAR 1.111. Since the

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above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment.

EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CAR 1.136(a).

Since the response appears to be bona fide, but through an apparent oversight or inadvertence failed to provide a complete response, applicant is required to complete the response within a TIME LIMIT of ONE MONTH from the date of this letter or within the time remaining in the response period of the last Office action, whichever is longer. Applicant may elect to either extend the period for response set in the last office action up to a maximum of SIX MONTHS or to extend from this ONE MONTH limit under 37 CAR 1.136 (a) or (b) up to SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this letter.

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2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Arun Chakrabarti, Ph.D. whose telephone number is (703) 306-5818.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, W. Gary Jones, can be reached on (703) 308-1152. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group analyst Chantae Dessau whose telephone number is (703) 605-1237. Papers related to this application may be submitted to Technology Center 1600 by facsimile transmission via the P.T.O. Fax Center located In Crystal Mall 1. The CM1 Fax Center numbers for Technology Center 1600 are either (703) 305-3014 or (703) 308-4242. Please note that the faxing of such papers must conform with the Notice to Comply published In the Official Gazette, 1096 OG 30 (November 15, 1989).

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